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Seventh Day Adventists in Bulgaria

1. [ ] the strongest religious group in Bulgaria at the present time is the Sabotiyantsi (Seventh Day Adventists) which meets regularly in private clubs rather than in churches. The group holds services, studies the Bible, and sings hymns accompanied by piano music. The group holds no particular political views, is not molested by the authorities, and is gradually gaining members. Informant does not know what connections it has outside Bulgaria or how long it has been active in Bulgaria.
2. There were three Sabotiyantsi clubs in Gabrovo, one on Aprilov Boulevard opposite Aprilov Monument, which had 50 or 60 members, one at the southern end of Nikolaevska Street, and the third in Padalo Quarter.

Greek Partisan Organizations, Gabrovo

3. There are about 80 former Greek partisans in Gabrovo. Some of them have formed an organization and have a dormitory located on Orlavoska Street in the Padalo Quarter. Most of them work in various factories; about 30, including Yani Dinudin and Khristo Katarudis, are employed as operators of machines for cutting shoe soles at the State-owned "Sürp i Chuk" military uniform and equipment factory. The most reliable partisans are accepted as officers in the Bulgarian Army. Lambos Trepakis,

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who formerly worked at the "Sŭrp i Chuk" factory, was taken into the Bulgarian Army as a captain in early 1952 and is now stationed in Ruse.

Markets and Prices

4. Markets are held every Wednesday and Saturday in Gabrovo. Fresh fruits and vegetables, eggs, and dairy products are sold.
5. Although there is no black market, the free market (or rather the sales of goods at State stores, at which the prices are exorbitantly high in comparison with former prices) is commonly referred to as the "red market" (chervena borsa).

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